This Indenture Witneth that Ruth Bate daughter of Caleb Bate of her own free and voluntary Will and accord and with y^e consent of her father y^e above^d Caleb Bate of Ringham in the County of Suffolk in New-Eng Bricklayer, doth put and bind her self to be an apprentice unto George Wilson of y^e Town and County afores^d shipwright and to his wife mary: to learn y^e art or mistery of weaver which art y^e mary Wilson follows and with him y^e Geo: Wilson and his wife Mary after y^e manner of an apprentice to dwell and serve from y^e day of the date hereof for and during y^e space and full term of seven years and five months (alias untill y^e eighteenth year of her age) next ensueing and fully to be compleated and ended during all which s^d term y^e apprentice her s^d master and mistress honestly and faithfully shall have (their secrets keep close, their lawfull and reasonable commands every where gladly do) y^e s^d master or mistress she shall not willfully waste, her masters goods she shall not willfully nor in any wise waste, embezzle, purloine, or lend unto others nor suffer y^e same to be wasted or purloined but to her power shall forwith discover and make known y^e same unto her said master. Gaming she shall not frequent, att Cards dice or any unlawfull games she shall not play either with her own or with y^e goods of her s^d master or others, fornication she shall not committ nor matrimony contract with any person during s^d term, from her masters service she shall not att any time unlawfully or without consent of s^d master or mistress absent her self; But in all things as a good honest and faithfull servant and apprentice shall bear and behave her self towards her s^d master and mistress during y^e full term of seven years and five months or untill she be eighteen years of age Commencing as afores^d. —

And the said George Wilson In consideration thereof for himself and his wife doth covenant and agree promise and grant unto and with the s^d Ruth in manner and form following (y^t is to say) y^t he will teach his said apprentice or cause her to be taught by y^e best means and ways y^t he may or can y^e trade of a weaver and to read & write with all other Country and house hold work y^t her s^d mistress may Wilson can teach and whereof she is capable to be instructed and will find and provide for and unto s^d apprentice good and sufficient meat, drink, washing, lodging apparell & all necessaries fitting and requisite for an apprentice during y^e s^d term, and att y^e end of s^d term, to give unto s^d apprentice two good suits of apparel both linnen and woollen for all parts of her body one for sabbath and holy days fitting for her degree & quality of s^d Master and s^d apprentice and to dismiss s^d apprentice with delivery and receipt or dismission of presents Indentures: In testimony whereof y^e s^d parties to these p^r^sent Indentures have interchangeably sett their hands and seals this twenty first day of February in y^e year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifteen and in y^e second year of y^e reign of our sovereign Lord George by y^e grace of god King of great Brittain France and Ireland &c.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In y^e presence of

Ruth Bate

Abdiah Smith

James Mc Sparran

Memorandum y^t y^e word were in the written Before signing Sealing and Delivering of these p^r^sents